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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS

FOR BOOTING A USER-

SELECTABLE OPERATING SYSTEM

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated June 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 7 of this response.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Tom Ferrill at (408) 720-8300.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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